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From: Fitzpatrick, Lisa
Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2015 3:56 PM
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Subject: FW: Soitec Comments from The Real East County Fire Safe Council

Please see email below.



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Our Fire Safe Council would like to present some comments.

As you know, this project will be in a high fire danger zone. The Fire Safe Council highly recommends that all Fire Departments in the area are fully manned and operated 24/7 before any projects are considered. For example, the Boulevard Fire Department had 7 dark days in December 2014 and there have already been 2 dark days since the start of 2015.

Fire Departments not only handle fires, but also accidents and injuries that could occur during the construction of this project.

This area is known for high wind. The solar trackers are approved in up to 34 mph winds. The wind speeds regularly exceed 34 mph. The Fire Safe Council views this as a safety concern and a hazard.

Since this project will be fenced in, it will make it even more difficult for fire fighters to respond and control an already difficult electrical fire, should one occur.

The current drought is of major concern to our Fire Safe Council as well.

Thank you for your consideration,
The Real East County Fire Safe Council